



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Comment Request for Information Collection: ETA-5130 Benefit Appeals Report; Extension Without Change

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 3506 (b)(1) (2) (3)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee's section below on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**

ADDRESSEE: Send comments to Stephanie Garcia, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-4524, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone number (202) 693-3207 (*this is*

not a toll-free number) or by e-mail: Garcia.Stephanie@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background:

The ETA-5130, Benefit Appeals Report, contains information on the number of unemployment insurance appeals and the resultant decisions classified by program, appeals level, cases filed and disposed of (workflow), and decisions by level, appellant, and issue. The data on this report are used by the Department of Labor to monitor the benefit appeals process in the State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) and to develop any needed plans for remedial action. The data are also needed for workload forecasts and to determine administrative funding. If this information were not available, developing problems might not be discovered early enough to allow for timely solutions and avoidance of time consuming and costly corrective action.

II. Review Focus:

Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of the ETA-5130 Benefit Appeals Report, which expires January 31, 2014. Comments are requested to:

- * Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- * Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
- * Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- * Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology.

III. Current Actions:

Type of Review: Extension without changes.

Title: Benefit Appeals Report

OMB Number: 1205-0172

Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: Social Security Act, Section 303(a)(6)

Total Respondents: 53

Frequency: Monthly

Total Responses: 53 respondents x 12 responses per year = 636 responses for the regular program, 53 respondents x 12 responses per year = 636 responses for the Emergency

Unemployment Compensation 2008 program, 53 respondents x 12 responses per year = 636 responses for the Federal-State extended benefit program for an estimated total of 1,908 responses.

Average Estimated Response Time: 1 hour

Total Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 1,908 hours (636 hours for the ETA 5130 Regular report + 636 hours for the ETA 5130 Federal-State Extended Benefits report + 636 hours for the ETA 5130 Emergency Unemployment Compensation Report).

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$0

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the ICR; they will also become a matter of public record.

Signed in Washington, D.C., this 15th day of May, 2013.

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Assistant Secretary,

Employment and Training Administration

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